

Plan to Beautify City Is Effective, Progressive Step

The city of Torrance recently launched a program that will have far-reaching effects on this, and future generations of residents.

The program, which would entail an all-out campaign to beautify the city, will be conducted by public spirited citizens who will donate time and talent to the project.

This project could most effectively efface eyesores that presently jar the esthetic senses of visitors to our city.

High on the priority list should be the beautification of major highways entering our city, including the north ends of Western Ave. and Hawthorne Blvd. and the east end of Sepulveda.

Initial plans should call for the planting of trees in the center strips of Hawthorne, which would be a continuation of projects already completed by communities to the north.

Hawthorne Blvd., as a tree-shaded highway, would be one of the most beautiful streets in our city.

The concept, implicit in a city-wide beautification program, is immense and, as a progressive, forward step, one that will certainly be appreciated by our citizens.



ACKNOWLEDGING APPLAUSE as he accepts the Gold Medal trophy awarded the El Camino College Warhoop by the California State Fair and Exposition in Sacramento this month is Gregg Peterson, who receives the award from Bert Abrahams, an official of the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

El Camino Warhoop Wins Top Honors at State Fair

Adding to its already abundant trophy case, the El Camino College weekly newspaper, "The Warhoop," today proudly displays the California State Fair Gold Medal and an All-American honor rating.

The Gold Medal was given for general excellence of weekly junior college papers with a circulation over 4,000 and represents top achievement in the state.

Presented in Sacramento, the trophy will appear beside the silver medal presented to the Warhoop in competition last year.

In judging conducted by the Associated Collegiate Press, the college paper was presented its seventeenth consecutive All-American honor.

Only two other newspapers in the nation received a comparable award for general excellence.

Natural Gas Odor 'Ain't Natural,' Reports Gas Co.

When those June brides step up to the gas range to prepare their husbands' first meal, they should be aware of a little-known fact about natural gas.

It's the intricate process of odorizing the popular energy fuel.

The odorant, a sulphuric compound, is added to the fuel when the gas first enters a compression plant before transmission from its source to the consumer.

Its content is checked periodically along the route to insure a resulting safety factor when it is finally delivered through the residential or industrial meter and used.

The odorizing process started back in the 1920's when the Southern California Gas Company first began to use natural gas instead of manufactured gas.

At first it was delivered to consumers as odorless. So, in order to maintain a safety standard with this comparatively new fuel, the firm decided to add an odorant to gas.

How the gas should smell

was the resultant question puzzling gas company officials.

Some said it should have a perfume aroma. Others objected because some housewives "might want to turn it on because of its pleasing fragrance."

Then somebody suggested that it smell like manufactured gas, an odor which was recognizable to most people because of its past use.

Thus, a gas odorant additive was devised which proved to be advantageous because the odor could be controlled to an exact degree.

Actually, the odorant is so strong that one pint of it can odorize a million cubic feet of natural gas. One-twelfth of a pint of the mixture can odorize all the gas burned in the the average home's range, water heater and heating equipment over a year's span.

Because of its strong but harmless aroma, the odorant content is checked at various stages along the transmission line.

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Compulsory Polio Immunization Law Is Explained

Laws with respect to compulsory polio immunization of public school students passed by the last session of the State Legislature provide that parents give proof to local school districts of having complied with the law by either having their children immunized or by completing a form which declares that such shots are contrary to their belief (forms are available at each elementary and high school building) prior to enrolling them in school.

Principals of the Torrance Unified School District report that there are hundreds of students whose parents have not complied with the law, and since the district is not allowed to enroll these students, many of them are in danger of being excluded from attendance at summer school and regular school in September.

The education code requires attendance of children between eight and 16 years of age in schools, therefore, the parents who fail to comply with the immunization law, whose children are excluded may be held liable for action in accordance with the provisions of the compulsory education law also.

For example, if the parents of Johnny Student fail to have him immunized or fail to complete the required form objecting to immunization he may not be admitted to summer school and two weeks after admittance to school in September, the principal must, by law, send Johnny home. School district must then report a violation of the compulsory attendance law whereupon legal action against the parents may be filed.

Parents who have not complied with the polio immunization law are therefore urged to contact the principal of the elementary school or high school in their area as soon as possible.

El Camino Fair Brings \$2300 for Local Charities

Doubling last year's figure, this year's Welfare Week and Community Fair campaign contributed nearly \$2300 to charities, the El Camino College fair committee this week.

Of this sum, \$1700 was net profit from the carnival and concession booths, while \$600 came from donations during Welfare Week.

The total does not include profit percentages returned to clubs for their operations at the fair, a sum of \$256.

Almost \$1200 of the profits designated for charity have been awarded to local charities, while \$750 goes to such international organizations as Care and Medico, and \$350 will be sent to national health agencies.



JULY 4 FETE — Skipper Frank, kids TV favorite, brings attention to the American Legion fireworks spectacular slated for the Coliseum on July 4 by lighting a giant firecracker. Looking on are three fireworks princesses: (left to right) Lyn Collins, Jackie Carmichael and Janice Weaver. All proceeds go to American Legion charities, which includes veterans' rehabilitation. Tickets may be purchased at all Thrifty Drug Stores, mutual ticket agencies, Southern California Music Company and the Legion offices in Patriotic Hall (RI 7-5341). The theme of the 1962 show is "A Salute to America."

Retired Sheriff Asks Support for Salk Institute

A direct appeal to residents of this community was issued yesterday by Retired Sheriff Eugene W.

1,300,000 Cars On L.A. Roads by 1970, Says C-of-C

By 1970 1,300,000 more vehicles are expected to be traveling the roads of Metropolitan Los Angeles, a Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce Research Committee report forecast today.

Dr. Norman Topping, chairman of the Research Committee, said the increase will mean more than five million motor vehicles will be registered in the two-county area.

Of all vehicles registered in the metropolitan area, passenger cars now number slightly more than 3 million. This figure is estimated to increase to 4,180,000 by 1970, said Dr. Topping.

The increase, estimated to be 35.6 per cent, will keep pace with the expected population climb, Dr. Topping added.

A recent census report noted the Los Angeles area now has one automobile for every 2.2 persons.

In the 15 counties of Southern California the number of motor vehicles registered with the state will increase from the current 5.5 million to more than 7.5 million.

Passenger cars make up the largest portion of vehicles. The research committee reported 4.4 million auto-

Biscailuz for an all-out support of the building fund appeal for the Dr. Jonas Salk Institute for Biological Studies at La Jolla.

The institute will be under the direction of Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the polio vaccine, and is being established as a center for human cell research with two basic objectives: eliminating all disease and finding means of understanding the human aging process and discovering ways of minimizing the effects of growing old, he said.

Among the world's many leading scientists in addition to Dr. Salk, who will work on these problems at the institute are Dr. Renato Dulbecco, professor of biology at Cal Tech, Jacob Bronowski of London and professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Edwin Lennox, professor of microbiology at New York University, and others.

Biscailuz urged that all who have received an appeal envelope through the mail return it at once, "with at least one dollar for each member of the family who has been protected by Salk's vaccine against the scourge of polio."

Those who did not receive the mailers and who also wish to say "Thank You, Dr. Salk," may send their contributions simply to Salk Institute Building Fund Appeal, Hollywood 28.

mobiles currently, and estimated the figure to reach slightly more than 6 million in 1970 throughout the 15 county area.

American Legion Will Sponsor Annual Fireworks Display July 4 in Coliseum

Three charming young ladies, all students of the famed Pasadena Playhouse, will reign over the festivities of the 30th annual Fireworks Spectacular to be held in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum on July 4, it has just been announced by the director of special events of the sponsoring Los Angeles City Council of the American Legion, R. M. Pittenger.

The royalty for the nation's largest Independence Day event are Jackie Carmichael, 23, a blonde; a brunette, 22-year-old Lyn Collins; and Janice Weaver, 21, who has red hair.

Hailing from Nanaimo, British Columbia, Miss Carmichael is a graduate of the

University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash. She will receive her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theater this summer and her Master Degree in Theater next spring.

Princess Jackie has appeared in a number of productions at the Playhouse, including "Father of the Bride" with Joe E. Brown, Carol Stone and John Craig.

A southern belle from Anderson, South Carolina, Lyn Collins, will also be a member of the regal group leading the grand entry parade at the Coliseum on the Fourth of July. She is currently studying for a career as an actress in television and films.

In addition to having ap-

peared in eight summer stock and little theater productions, she has been a winner of several beauty pageants in her native state.

The third princess is Janice Weaver, whose hometown is Norfolk, Virginia. She will graduate from the Playhouse this summer with a B.A. degree in Theater. Her professional plans include dramatics, singing, dancing and composing.

She is the vocalist and pianist for the dance band that she organized and directs and has written the music and lyrics for over 20 songs dedicated to beauty contest winners, such as Miss America and Miss Universe.

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